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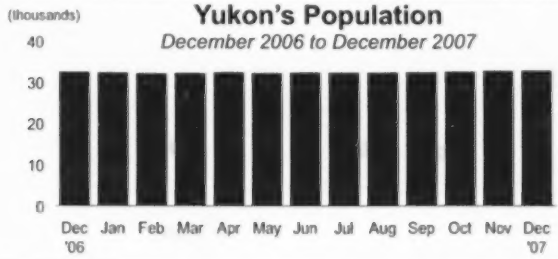
# YUKON MONTHLY STATISTICAL REVIEW
## May 2008

*The most current statistics available on the state of the Yukon's economy*

## 1. Population

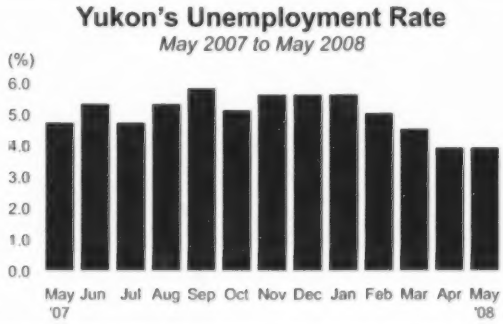
The Yukon's population as of December 2007 was **32,714**. One year previous to that, in December 2006, the population was **32,335**. The difference is an **increase of 379** individuals, or **1.2%**, in the Yukon's population.
*(See page 3 for more detail.)*




## 2. Employment

The number of people employed in the Yukon as of May 2008 was **17,200** (seasonally adjusted). This is an increase of 1,000 compared to the May 2007 figure and is an increase of 100 compared to the April 2008 figure.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in the Yukon as of May 2008 was **3.9%**. One year ago, in May 2007, the rate was **4.7%**.
*(See page 4 for more detail.)*




## 3. Inflation

The annual rate of **inflation** in Whitehorse (figures are not available for the Yukon) was **2.9%** as of April 2008. The annual *average* inflation rate in Whitehorse for 2007 was **2.5%**.
*(See page 6 for more detail.)*

## 4. Rental Units

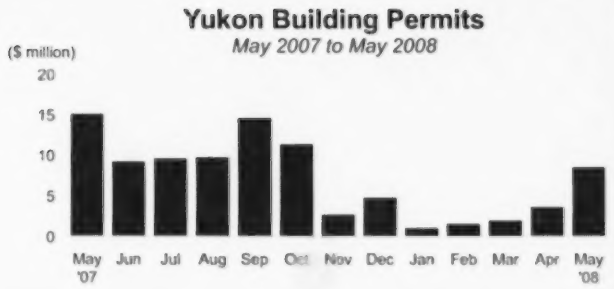
The median rent (half the rents are higher and half the rents are lower) in Whitehorse as of March 2008 was **$700**. This is an increase of $20 or 2.9% compared to March 2007. The vacancy rate for Whitehorse as of March 2008 was **4.1%**. This is 1.7 percentage points higher than in March 2007.
*(See page 7 for more detail.)*

## 5. Real Estate

The total value of real estate transactions in the Yukon for the first quarter of 2008 (January, February and March) was $26,185,600. This is a **decrease of $4,372,300, or 14.3%**, from the first quarter of 2007 ($30,557,900). *(See page 7 for more detail.)*

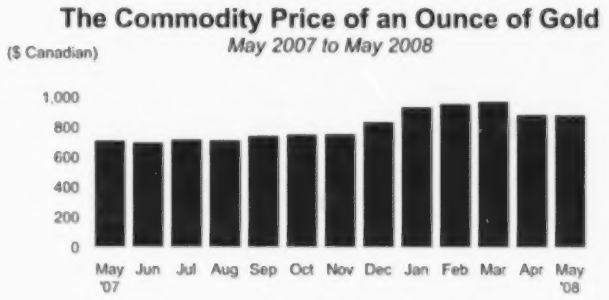
## 6. Construction

The value of building permits issued in the Yukon for May 2008 was **$8,362,000**. One year ago, in May 2007, the value was **$14,966,000**. This represents a decrease of $6,604,000 or 44.1%.
*(See page 8 for more detail.)*




## 7. Resources

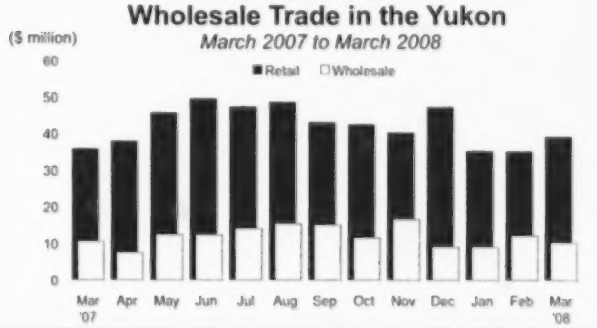
The commodity price in Canadian dollars for a troy ounce of gold was **$874.40** as of May 30th, 2008 on the London Exchange. One year ago, the commodity price was **$702.50**. The difference is an **increase of $171.90,** or **24.5%**, in the commodity price of a troy ounce of gold.
*(See page 9 for more detail.)*




## 8. Retail & Wholesale Trade

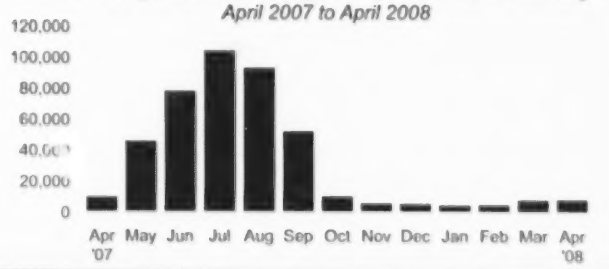
The preliminary value of retail trade in the Yukon for March 2008 was **$39,053,000**. This figure is an **increase of $3,348,000**, or **9.4%**, from the value of retail trade one year earlier, in March 2007.

Comparing the preliminary value for March 2008 with the value for March 2007, wholesale sales have **decreased by $300,000**, or **2.8%**, from **$10,558,000** to **$10,258,000**.
*(See page 10 for more detail.)*




## 9. Travellers

The number of travellers entering the Yukon by land at Canada Customs points of entry in April 2008 was **7,446**. This is a **decrease of 1,680** travellers, or **18.4%**, from the April 2007 figure of **9,126**.
The number of travellers from January to April 2008 was **21,896** compared with 23,429 for the same time period in 2007. This represents a **decrease of 1,533 people, or 6.5%**.
*(See page 11 for more detail.)*



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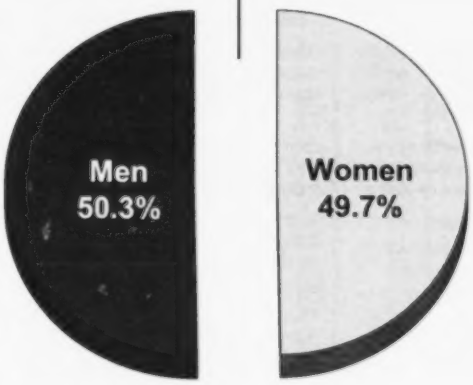
# 1. Population

## ■ 1.1 Yukon population by age & sex

December 2007

| | Total | Male | Female |
|---|---|---|---|
| 0-4 | 1,849 | 950 | 899 |
| 5-9 | 1,823 | 906 | 917 |
| 10-14 | 2,049 | 1,056 | 993 |
| 15-19 | 2,404 | 1,283 | 1,121 |
| 20-24 | 2,303 | 1,087 | 1,216 |
| 25-29 | 2,117 | 1,044 | 1,073 |
| 30-34 | 2,226 | 1,011 | 1,215 |
| 35-39 | 2,372 | 1,146 | 1,226 |
| 40-44 | 2,669 | 1,261 | 1,408 |
| 45-49 | 3,184 | 1,568 | 1,616 |
| 50-54 | 2,983 | 1,513 | 1,470 |
| 55-59 | 2,465 | 1,292 | 1,173 |
| 60-64 | 1,757 | 1,010 | 747 |
| 65-69 | 981 | 562 | 419 |
| 70-74 | 668 | 360 | 308 |
| 75+ | 864 | 417 | 447 |
| Total | 32,714 | 16,466 | 16,248 |




*Source*: Yukon Health & Social Services and Bureau of Statistics.

## ■ 1.2 Yukon population by community

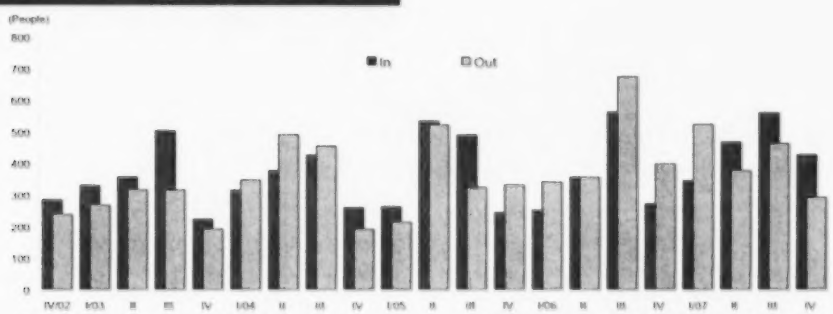
| | Dec 2007 | June 2007 | Dec 2006 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Beaver Creek | 99 | 101 | 104 |
| Burwash Landing | 92 | 88 | 90 |
| Carcross | 423 | 437 | 437 |
| Carmacks | 444 | 426 | 405 |
| Dawson City | 1,879 | 1,876 | 1,859 |
| Destruction Bay | 55 | 56 | 58 |
| Faro | 372 | 382 | 398 |
| Haines Junction | 809 | 804 | 812 |
| Marsh Lake | 415 | 405 | 387 |
| Mayo | 423 | 388 | 424 |
| Old Crow | 256 | 271 | 281 |
| Pelly Crossing | 294 | 284 | 303 |
| Ross River | 349 | 355 | 352 |
| Tagish | 208 | 212 | 212 |
| Teslin | 426 | 428 | 417 |
| Watson Lake | 1,596 | 1,567 | 1,551 |
| Whitehorse | 24,473 | 24,041 | 24,151 |
| Other* | 101 | 91 | 94 |
| Yukon | 32,714 | 32,212 | 32,335 |

*Source*: Yukon Health and Social Services, Bureau of Statistics.
**Note*: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

## ■ 1.3 Yukon births & deaths

| | | Births | Deaths |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2008 | | | |
| April | (p) | 21 | 14 |
| March | (r) | 31 | 20 |
| February | (r) | 28 | 15 |
| January | | 24 | 9 |
| 2007 | | | |
| December | | 24 | 10 |
| November | | 34 | 13 |
| October | | 26 | 14 |
| September | | 29 | 16 |
| August | | 33 | 20 |
| July | | 31 | 11 |
| June | | 33 | 17 |
| May | | 36 | 17 |
| April | (r) | 35 | 10 |

## ■ 1.4 Yukon migration estimates*




*Source*: Statistics Canada CANSIM.
**Note*: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

- **1.1** The December 2007 population of the Yukon was 32,714. Of the 32,714 people residing in the Yukon, 49.7% were females and 50.3% were males. Persons under the age of 15 accounted for 17.5% of the population, while 7.7% of the population was aged 65 or over.

- **1.2** In December of 2007, 74.8% of the Yukon's population lived in the City of Whitehorse. Between December 2006 and December 2007, the community with the largest percentage increase in population was Carmacks, where the population increased by 39 people, or 9.6%. Seven Yukon communities showed increases in population from December 2006 to December 2007.

- **1.3** In April 2008, preliminary estimates show 14 fewer births (21) and 4 more deaths (14) compared to April 2007.

- **1.4** Migration statistics for the Yukon show that for the fourth quarter of 2007 the number of in-migrants was 429, compared to out-migrants at 294. For the fourth quarter of 2007, the Yukon experienced a net gain of 135 people.

# 2. Employment

- **2.1** Comparing May 2008 with May 2007 figures, the following changes can be seen in the Yukon:
  - The labour force increased by 900, or 5.3%, to 17,900.
  - The number of employed Yukoners increased by 1,000, or 6.2%, to 17,200.
  - The number of unemployed Yukoners decreased by 100, or 12.5%, to 700.
  - The unemployment rate decreased by 0.8 percentage points, to 3.9%.

- **2.2** In the month of May 2008, the Yukon's rate of unemployment (3.9%), was 2.2 percentage points **below** the rate for Canada (6.1%). In May 2007, Yukon's unemployment rate (4.7%) was 1.3 percentage points **lower** than the rate for Canada (6.0%).

- **2.3** Comparing preliminary figures for March 2008 with figures for March 2007, the following changes in government employment in the Yukon have occurred:
  - Total government employment increased by 406, or 7.4%.
  - Federal government employment increased by 16, or 2.8%.
  - Territorial general government employment increased by 186, or 4.5%.
  - Municipal employment increased by 188, or 38.8%.

## ■ 2.1 *Yukon labour force statistics (Seasonally adjusted)*

| | Labour Force | Employed | Unemployed | Unemployment Rate |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **2008** | | | | |
| **May** | 17,900 | 17,200 | 700 | 3.9% |
| **April** | 17,900 | 17,100 | 700 | 3.9% |
| **March** | 17,900 | 17,200 | 800 | 4.5% |
| **February** | 18,000 | 17,100 | 900 | 5.0% |
| **January** | 17,800 | 16,900 | 1,000 | 5.6% |
| **2007** | | | | |
| **December** | 17,900 | 16,900 | 1,000 | 5.6% |
| **November** | 17,800 | 16,800 | 1,000 | 5.6% |
| **October** | 17,600 | 16,600 | 900 | 5.1% |
| **September** | 17,200 | 16,300 | 1,000 | 5.8% |
| **August** | 17,000 | 16,100 | 900 | 5.3% |
| **July** | 16,900 | 16,100 | 800 | 4.7% |
| **June** | 17,100 | 16,200 | 900 | 5.3% |
| **May** | 17,000 | 16,200 | 800 | 4.7% |

*Source*: Statistics Canada. **Note*: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

## ■ 2.2 *Canadian unemployment rates (Seasonally adjusted)*

| | Yukon | Canada | Nfld. & Lbdr. | PEI | NS | NB | Que. | Ont. | Man. | Sask. | Alta. | BC |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | (%) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **2008** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **May** | 3.9 | 6.1 | 12.5 | 9.6 | 8.2 | 8.9 | 7.5 | 6.4 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 3.6 | 4.5 |
| **April** | 3.9 | 6.1 | 13.2 | 11.2 | 7.8 | 8.3 | 7.6 | 6.3 | 3.8 | 4.3 | 3.3 | 4.3 |
| **March** | 4.5 | 6.0 | 12.6 | 10.4 | 7.9 | 8.5 | 7.3 | 6.4 | 4.3 | 4.1 | 3.4 | 4.3 |
| **February** | 5.0 | 5.8 | 13.1 | 10.0 | 7.7 | 8.1 | 7.0 | 6.1 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 3.5 | 4.1 |
| **January** | 5.6 | 5.8 | 12.2 | 10.6 | 7.4 | 8.2 | 6.8 | 6.3 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.2 | 4.1 |
| **2007** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **December** | 5.6 | 6.0 | 12.5 | 10.7 | 7.8 | 7.8 | 7.0 | 6.5 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 3.2 | 4.2 |
| **November** | 5.6 | 5.9 | 13.2 | 11.4 | 7.9 | 7.2 | 7.0 | 6.4 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 3.6 | 4.2 |
| **October** | 5.1 | 5.8 | 13.6 | 8.8 | 7.6 | 7.7 | 7.0 | 6.1 | 4.1 | 4.3 | 3.4 | 4.4 |
| **September** | 5.8 | 5.9 | 13.5 | 10.6 | 7.9 | 8.3 | 6.9 | 6.2 | 4.2 | 3.9 | 3.6 | 4.4 |
| **August** | 5.3 | 6.0 | 13.7 | 10.4 | 8.9 | 7.8 | 7.2 | 6.4 | 4.2 | 4.8 | 3.6 | 4.0 |
| **July** | 4.7 | 6.0 | 13.6 | 10.5 | 8.7 | 7.4 | 7.0 | 6.6 | 4.2 | 4.8 | 3.4 | 4.2 |
| **June** | 5.3 | 6.1 | 13.1 | 10.5 | 8.1 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 6.6 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 3.7 | 4.4 |
| **May** | 4.7 | 6.0 | 12.8 | 10.2 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 7.1 | 6.3 | 5.2 | 4.5 | 3.8 | 4.3 |

*Source*: Statistics Canada.

## ■ 2.3 *Government employment in the Yukon**

| | | Total | Federal General | Territorial General | Territorial Health & Social Services | Municipal |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **2008** | | | | | | |
| **March** | (p) | 5,914 | 594 | 4,317 | 331 | 672 |
| **February** | (p) | 5,881 | 585 | 4,288 | 343 | 665 |
| **January** | (p) | 5,889 | 586 | 4,302 | 357 | 644 |
| **2007** | | | | | | |
| **December** | (r) | 5,759 | 590 | 4,292 | 350 | 527 |
| **November** | | 5,759 | 587 | 4,342 | 357 | 473 |
| **October** | | 5,779 | 606 | 4,361 | 341 | 471 |
| **September** | | 5,840 | 635 | 4,354 | 338 | 513 |
| **August** | | 5,370 | 649 | 3,763 | 351 | 607 |
| **July** | | 5,614 | 653 | 4,047 | 335 | 579 |
| **June** | | 5,881 | 648 | 4,383 | 334 | 516 |
| **May** | | 5,701 | 615 | 4,260 | 344 | 482 |
| **April** | | 5,637 | 581 | 4,183 | 333 | 540 |
| **March** | | 5,508 | 578 | 4,131 | 315 | 484 |

*Source*: Statistics Canada CANSIM.
**Note*: *Please see table footnotes on page 12.*

## ■ 2.4 *Average weekly earnings, including overtime*

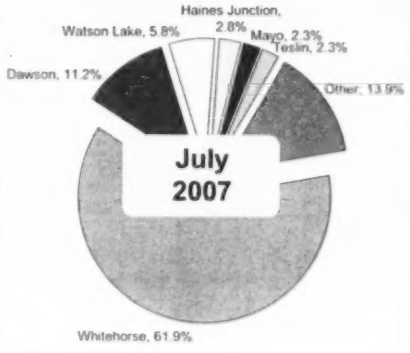
| | | Yukon Average | Goods-producing | Const. | Service-producing | Trade | Transp. & Ware-housing | Accomm. & Food Services | Public Admin. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | ($) | | | | | | | |
| **2008** | | | | | | | | | |
| **March** | (p) | 917.53 | 1,232.49 | 1,053.54 | 880.30 | 584.85 | 910.46 | 503.26 | 1,088.12 |
| **February** | (r) | 897.40 | 1,185.21 | 991.73 | 862.47 | 578.91 | 900.42 | 522.66 | 1,018.48 |
| **January** | | 894.51 | 1,199.61 | 1,042.66 | 856.88 | 565.29 | 899.22 | 504.90 | 1,035.37 |
| **2007** | | | | | | | | | |
| **December** | | 902.23 | 1,224.23 | 1,086.11 | 851.69 | 568.66 | 855.92 | 515.88 | 1,030.16 |
| **November** | | 905.85 | 1,218.14 | 1,073.31 | 855.01 | 588.04 | 872.71 | 510.51 | 1,017.83 |
| **October** | | 908.05 | 1,227.19 | 1,076.55 | 852.28 | 594.38 | 916.31 | 511.03 | 1,033.65 |
| **September** | | 890.93 | 1,196.53 | 1,083.97 | 838.72 | 572.43 | 941.73 | 520.92 | 1,008.65 |
| **August** | | 874.18 | 1,182.38 | 1,075.31 | 819.83 | 570.12 | 916.30 | 484.40 | 1,018.52 |
| **July** | | 886.83 | 1,183.58 | 1,077.58 | 836.31 | 582.44 | 940.72 | 494.76 | 1,045.05 |
| **June** | | 880.08 | 1,181.03 | 1,085.96 | 832.18 | 580.03 | 929.13 | 473.93 | 1,037.60 |
| **May** | | 871.76 | 1,169.79 | 1,090.34 | 825.43 | 562.96 | 957.05 | 451.72 | 997.27 |
| **April** | | 874.52 | 1,153.72 | 1,081.46 | 837.72 | 558.45 | 944.09 | 477.97 | 1,005.36 |
| **March** | | 857.72 | 1,123.95 | 1,052.22 | 825.44 | 548.31 | 892.01 | 456.57 | 998.96 |

*Source*: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

## ■ 2.5 *Community Employment Insurance claims*

| | July 2007 | June 2007 | June to July % change |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Beaver Creek** | x | x | x |
| **Burwash Landing** | x | x | x |
| **Carcross** | 26 | 18 | 44.4% |
| **Carmacks** | 32 | 24 | 33.3% |
| **Dawson City** | 134 | 80 | 67.5% |
| **Faro** | 27 | 23 | 17.4% |
| **Haines Junction** | 33 | 30 | 10.0% |
| **Mayo** | 27 | 31 | -12.9% |
| **Old Crow** | x | x | x |
| **Pelly Crossing** | 22 | 19 | 15.8% |
| **Ross River** | x | 12 | x |
| **Tagish** | 14 | 10 | 40.0% |
| **Teslin** | 27 | 22 | 22.7% |
| **Watson Lake** | 70 | 64 | 9.4% |
| **Whitehorse** | 741 | 743 | -0.3% |
| **Yukon*** | 1,198 | 1,113 | 7.6% |

**Community EI claims as a percentage of all Yukon claims**




*Source*: Human Resources Development Canada.
x = suppressed for confidentiality **Note:* Please see table footnotes on page 12.

## ■ 2.6 *Employment insurance beneficiaries, by type of benefit, unadjusted*

| | Total Beneficiaries* | Regular Beneficiaries | Sickness | Maternity | Parental | Training |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **2008** | | | | | | |
| **March** | 1,370 | 1,040 | 50 | 50 | 140 | 90 |
| **February** | 1,410 | 1,080 | 40 | 50 | 140 | 90 |
| **January** (r) | 1,410 | 1,080 | 40 | 50 | 150 | 80 |
| **2007** | | | | | | |
| **December** | 1,300 | 960 | 50 | 50 | 150 | 80 |
| **November** | 1,090 | 750 | 50 | 50 | 150 | 80 |
| **October** | 900 | 590 | 50 | 60 | 150 | 50 |
| **September** | 720 | 440 | 40 | 60 | 150 | 20 |
| **August** | 740 | 470 | 50 | 60 | 150 | 0 |
| **July** | 780 | 500 | 60 | 70 | 150 | 0 |
| **June** | 770 | 490 | 50 | 60 | 140 | 10 |
| **May** | 980 | 700 | 60 | 60 | 140 | 20 |
| **April** | 1,380 | 1,030 | 50 | 70 | 140 | 90 |
| **March** | 1,480 | 1,120 | 50 | 60 | 150 | 100 |

*Source*: Statistics Canada CANSIM. ** Note*: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ **2.4** Comparing preliminary figures for March 2008 with those of March 2007, the following changes in average weekly earnings can be seen:

- Average weekly wages for the Yukon increased $59.81, or 7.0%.
- Goods-producing industry wages increased $108.54, or 9.7%.
- Construction industry wages increased $1.32, or 0.1%.
- Service-producing industry wages increased $54.86, or 6.6%.
- Trade industry wages increased $36.54, or 6.7%.
- Transportation and warehousing wages increased $18.45, or 2.1%.
- Accomodation and food services wages increased $46.69 or 10.2%.
- Public administration wages increased $89.16, or 8.9%.

■ **2.5** ***Note:*** **Employment Insurance data by community is presently unavailable. YBS is working with Service Canada to acquire more current data.**

■ **2.6** Looking at the different types of employment insurance benefits and comparing March 2008 with March 2007, the following changes are apparent:

- Total beneficiaries decreased 110, or 7.4%.
- Regular beneficiaries decreased 80, or 7.1%.
- Sickness beneficiaries remained the same at 50.
- Maternity beneficiaries decreased 10, or 16.7%.
- Parental beneficiaries decreased 10, or 6.7%.
- Training beneficiaries decreased 10, or 10.0%.

# 3. Consumer Prices

- **3.1** The Consumer Price Index measures changes in prices, or what is usually referred to as inflation. Table 3.1 shows that as of April 2008 the annual rate of inflation in Whitehorse was 2.9% (This is 1.2 percentage points higher than the national rate). A year ago, in April 2007, the inflation rate in Whitehorse was 1.7%.

  *(The annual **average** inflation rate in Whitehorse for 2007 was 2.5%.)*

## ■ 3.1 *Consumer price index* (2002 = 100)*

| All-Items | Whitehorse | | Canada | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Index | Change from last year | Index | Change from last year |
| **2008** | | | | |
| **April** | 111.8 | 2.9% | 113.5 | 1.7% |
| **March** | 111.0 | 2.8% | 112.6 | 1.4% |
| **February** | 110.1 | 2.6% | 112.2 | 1.8% |
| **January** | 110.4 | 3.2% | 111.8 | 2.2% |
| **2007** | | | | |
| **December** | 110.6 | 4.0% | 112.0 | 2.4% |
| **November** | 110.7 | 4.1% | 111.9 | 2.5% |
| **October** | 110.4 | 3.9% | 111.6 | 2.4% |
| **September** | 110.8 | 3.4% | 111.9 | 2.5% |
| **August** | 110.5 | 2.6% | 111.7 | 1.7% |
| **July** | 110.7 | 3.0% | 112.0 | 2.2% |
| **June** | 109.7 | 1.7% | 111.9 | 2.2% |
| **May** | 109.5 | 1.9% | 112.1 | 2.2% |
| **April** | 108.7 | 1.7% | 111.6 | 2.2% |

*Source*: Statistics Canada CANSIM. **Note:* Please see table footnotes on page 12.

- **3.2** According to the Consumer Price Index, overall **food** prices in Whitehorse in April 2008 increased 0.2% when compared with the previous month. Comparing April 2007 to April 2008, overall **food** prices increased 0.7%. During this same time period, for selected food items purchased from stores, dairy products had the largest increase, at 0.8%.

## ■ 3.2 *Food price index, Whitehorse (2002 = 100)*

| | April 2008 | March 2008 | % change Mar. '08 to Apr. '08 | April 2007 | % change Apr. '07 to Apr. '08 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **ALL ITEMS** | **111.8** | **111.0** | **0.7%** | **108.7** | **2.9%** |
| **Food** | **109.5** | **109.3** | **0.2%** | **108.7** | **0.7%** |
| Food purchased from stores | 106.6 | 106.7 | **-0.1%** | 105.9 | **0.7%** |
| Meat | 103.1 | 103.0 | **0.1%** | 105.3 | **-2.1%** |
| Dairy products | 116.0 | 116.4 | **-0.3%** | 114.9 | **1.0%** |
| Bakery and cereal products (excluding infant food) | 111.0 | 110.3 | **0.6%** | 110.1 | **0.8%** |
| Fresh fruit | 90.6 | 92.7 | **-2.3%** | 98.8 | **-8.3%** |
| Fresh vegetables | 94.2 | 95.3 | **-1.2%** | 100.0 | **-5.8%** |
| Food purchased from restaurants | 116.3 | 115.4 | **0.8%** | 115.0 | **1.1%** |

*Source*: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

- **3.3** The Community Spatial Price Index compares prices in Whitehorse to prices in other Yukon communities. Of all communities surveyed, April 2008, prices in Teslin were the closest to April 2008 prices in Whitehorse, with Teslin's prices being 4.4% higher than those in Whitehorse. The highest prices of the communities surveyed were found in Old Crow (69.9% higher than Whitehorse).

## ■ 3.3 *Community spatial price index, April 2008 (Whitehorse = 100)*

| | Carmacks | Dawson City | Faro | Haines Junction | Mayo | Teslin | Watson Lake | Old Crow |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Total Survey Items** | **110.4** | **122.0** | **114.0** | **119.8** | **114.0** | **104.4** | **112.3** | **169.9** |
| Meat | 107.6 | 104.7 | .. | 101.9 | 107.0 | 95.2 | 99.5 | .. |
| Dairy/Eggs | 125.2 | 120.7 | 130.0 | 131.0 | 132.2 | 111.3 | 131.9 | .. |
| Fruit/Veg. | 115.9 | 138.4 | 122.9 | 143.4 | 112.1 | 106.3 | 115.9 | 179.9 |
| Bread/Cereal | 125.8 | 116.4 | 127.3 | 142.6 | 124.4 | 104.7 | 137.6 | 160.2 |
| Other Foods | 111.9 | 124.9 | 116.5 | 131.8 | 120.7 | 107.1 | 103.9 | 173.7 |
| Household Operations | 95.8 | 108.6 | 105.8 | 104.1 | 109.5 | 100.7 | 107.8 | 189.1 |
| Health & Personal Care | 122.0 | 175.3 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 122.4 | .. |
| Gasoline | 106.0 | 121.1 | .. | 107.5 | 118.1 | 102.9 | 110.6 | .. |
| Cigarettes | 110.9 | 110.2 | 100.4 | 110.0 | .. | 99.3 | .. | 172.9 |

*Source*: Yukon Bureau of Statistics; ".." = insufficient data for reliable estimates.

# 4. Rental Units

## ■ 4.1 *Median rent, all units**

| | Whitehorse Total | Whitehorse: Downtown | Whitehorse: Granger | Whitehorse: Hillcrest | Whitehorse: Porter Creek | Whitehorse: Riverdale | Whitehorse: Takhini | Watson Lake | Dawson City |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | ($) | | | | |
| **2008** | | | | | | | | | |
| **March** | 700 | 680 | 700 | 700* | 650 | 725 | 600 | 675 | 650 |
| **2007** | | | | | | | | | |
| **December** | 700 | 680 | 700 | 700* | 650 | 725 | 600 | 675 | 625 |
| **September** | 700 | 680 | 675 | 700* | 650 | 725 | 600 | 675 | 625 |
| **June** | 680 | 675 | 675 | 750 | 650 | 725 | 560 | 675 | 625 |
| **March** | 680 | 675 | 675 | 750 | 650 | 700 | 600 | 595 | 625 |

*Note:* Please see table footnotes on page 12. *Source*: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

## ■ 4.2 *Vacancy rate, all units**

| | Whitehorse Total | Whitehorse: Downtown | Whitehorse: Granger | Whitehorse: Hillcrest | Whitehorse: Porter Creek | Whitehorse: Riverdale | Whitehorse: Takhini | Watson Lake | Dawson City |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | (%) | | | | |
| **2008** | | | | | | | | | |
| **March** | 4.1 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 4.2* | 4.3 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 0.0 |
| **2007** | | | | | | | | | |
| **December** | 2.8 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 5.6* | 4.3 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 11.4 | 0.0 |
| **September** | 4.0 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 4.2* | 8.7 | 2.7 | 11.8 | 11.4 | 0.0 |
| **June** | 3.2 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 4.6 | 4.3 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 8.6 | 0.0 |
| **March** | 2.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 8.0 | 4.3 | 0.8 | 17.6 | 28.6 | 25.0 |

*Note:* Please see table footnotes on page 12. *Source*: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

## ■ 5.1 *Value of real estate transactions*

| | | Yukon | Whitehorse | Other |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | ($000) | |
| **2008** | **Q1** | 26,185.6 | 21,888.8 | 4,296.8 |
| **2007** | **Q4** | 62,410.0 | 52,731.6 | 9,678.4 |
| | **Q3** | 69,315.7 | 60,521.3 | 8,794.4 |
| | **Q2** | 35,984.2 | 31,801.5 | 4,182.7 |
| | **Q1** | 30,557.9 | 26,003.4 | 4,554.4 |

*Note:* Please see table footnotes on page 12. *Source*: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

## ■ 5.2 *Number & value of real estate transactions in Whitehorse*

| | | Total * | Single | Family | Mobile | Condos | Duplexes | Multiple- | Commercial | Industrial |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Value of Real Estate Transactions** | | | | | | ($000) | | | | |
| **2008** | **Q1** | 21,888.8 | 14,424.3 | 1,069.0 | 1,493.0 | 2,680.3 | 940.0 | x | x | 777.3 |
| **2007** | **Q4** | 52,731.6 | 25,811.7 | 2,074.3 | 2,119.5 | 6,032.4 | 2,050.3 | 0 | 12,833.1 | 1,810.2 |
| | **Q3** | 60,521.3 | 35,981.6 | 2,487.2 | 2,429.4 | 2,159.8 | 2,587.5 | 1,350.0 | 12,258.0 | 1,267.8 |
| | **Q2** | 31,801.5 | 23,932.7 | 625.1 | 2,091.2 | 2,118.7 | 1,391.5 | 0 | 0 | 1,642.2 |
| | **Q1** | 26,003.4 | 10,825.3 | 1,329.3 | 2,160.4 | 1,671.3 | 1,601.0 | 1,898.1 | 5,501.1 | 1,016.9 |
| **Number of Real Estate Transactions** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **2008** | **Q1** | 90 | 48 | 11 | 7 | 13 | 4 | x | x | 5 |
| **2007** | **Q4** | 178 | 88 | 22 | 12 | 28 | 10 | 0 | 15 | 3 |
| | **Q3** | 207 | 121 | 27 | 15 | 11 | 13 | 4 | 11 | 5 |
| | **Q2** | 135 | 89 | 10 | 13 | 11 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| | **Q1** | 116 | 43 | 21 | 14 | 9 | 8 | 3 | 13 | 5 |

* Notes: "Total" may include other transactions; "x" = suppressed for confidentiality constraints.
Rows may not total due to rounding.

- **4.1** Comparing March 2008 to March 2007, median rents in Whitehorse have changed in the following ways:
  - The overall median rent in Whitehorse increased $20, or 2.9%.
  - Downtown, the median rent increased $5, or 0.7%.
  - In Granger, the median rent increased $25, or 3.7%.
  - In Hillcrest*, the median rent decreased $50, or 6.7%.
  - In Porter Creek, the median rent remained the same at $650.
  - In Riverdale, the median rent increased $25, or 3.6%.
  - In Takhini, the median rent remained the same at $600.
- **4.2** The overall Whitehorse vacancy rate in March 2008 increased 1.7 percentage points from March 2007 and increased 1.3 percentage points from December 2007.

# 5. Real Estate*

- **5.1** Comparing first-quarter 2008 figures with first-quarter 2007 figures, real estate transactions have:
  - decreased $4.4 million, or 14.3%, in the Yukon;
  - decreased $4.1 million, or 15.8%, in Whitehorse;
  - decreased $0.3 million, or 5.7%, in the areas outside of Whitehorse.
- **5.2** The average selling price for a single house in Whitehorse increased by $48,700, or 19.3%, from the first quarter of 2007 ($251,800) to the first quarter of 2008 ($300,500)

*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.*

# 6. Construction

- **6.1** For the Yukon, the total value of building permits issued in May 2008 ($8,362,000) was $6,604,000 or 44.1%, below the May 2007 figure of $14,966,000.

*Note: In addition to new dwelling units, residential permits issued include renovations, garages and additions. "Total permits" does not include plumbing or stove permits issued.*

- **6.2** Comparing total residential permits issued in May 2008 with May 2007, the following changes have occurred in the Yukon:
  - The number of permits issued for new dwelling units has decreased from 44 to 25.
  - Other residential permits issued *(renovations, garages and additions) decreased from 136 to 128.

- **6.3** For Whitehorse, the total value of building permits issued in May 2008 ($6,024,000) was $1,159,000 or 16.1% below the May 2007 figure of $7,183,000.

*Note: Residential permits were issued for 10 new single family residences, 2 single family replacement residences, as well as 2 mobile home placements in parks. Commercial permits include retrofit of Yukon Electric bldg at 2285 2nd Ave. Industrial permits includes Alkan Air's new aircraft hangar.*

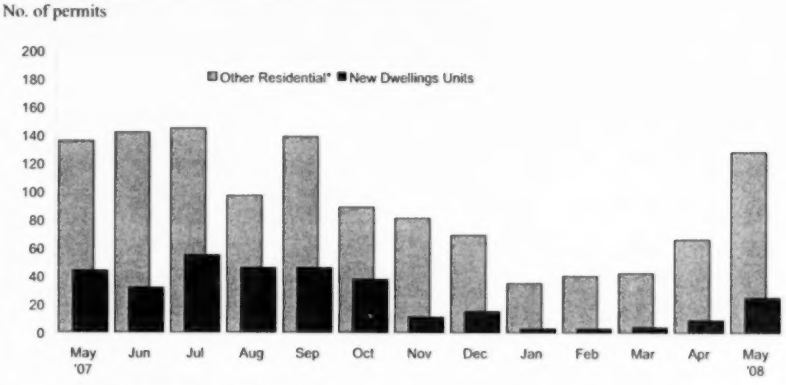
*"Total permits" does not include plumbing or wood stove permits issued.*

## 6.1 *Yukon building permits, number and value**

| | Total | | Residential | | Industrial | | Government/ Institutional | | Commercial | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | (no.) | ($000) | (no.) | ($000) | (no.) | ($000) | (no.) | ($000) | (no.) | ($000) |
| **2008** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **May** | 185 | 8,362 | 153 | 4,741 | 8 | 1,089 | 7 | 610 | 17 | 1,922 |
| **April** | 85 | 3,515 | 75 | 2,199 | - | - | 5 | 259 | 5 | 1,057 |
| **March** | 63 | 1,847 | 46 | 816 | 1 | 100 | 5 | 331 | 11 | 600 |
| **February** | 51 | 1,431 | 43 | 589 | - | - | 4 | 532 | 4 | 310 |
| **January** | 49 | 901 | 38 | 825 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 64 |
| **2007** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **December** | 100 | 4,648 | 84 | 2,942 | 1 | 50 | 8 | 181 | 7 | 1,475 |
| **November** | 108 | 2,583 | 92 | 2,129 | 5 | 95 | 4 | 121 | 7 | 238 |
| **October** | 165 | 11,244 | 127 | 5,838 | 7 | 1,749 | 10 | 528 | 21 | 3,128 |
| **September** | 226 | 14,465 | 185 | 7,299 | 8 | 745 | 10 | 1,699 | 23 | 4,722 |
| **August** | 169 | 9,623 | 143 | 6,603 | 10 | 884 | 5 | 1,775 | 11 | 361 |
| **July** | 219 | 9,465 | 200 | 8,164 | 2 | 189 | 10 | 958 | 7 | 154 |
| **June** | 194 | 9,083 | 174 | 6,325 | 6 | 410 | 3 | 1,488 | 11 | 860 |
| **May** | 203 | 14,966 | 180 | 6,321 | 2 | 121 | 9 | 5,444 | 12 | 3,081 |

*Source*: YTG Community Services. **Note:* Please see table footnotes on page 12.

## 6.2 *Yukon residential building permits*




*Source*: YTG Community Services.

## 6.3 *Whitehorse building permits, number and value**

| | Total | | Residential | | Multi-Residential | | Industrial | | Government/ Institutional | | Commercial | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | (no.) | ($000) | (no.) | ($000) | (no.) | ($000) | (no.) | ($000) | (no.) | ($000) | (no.) | ($000) |
| **2008** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **May** | 106 | 6,024 | 85 | 2,915 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 914 | 3 | 610 | 10 | 1,584 |
| **April** | 52 | 2,667 | 47 | 1,579 | 1 | 31 | - | - | - | - | 4 | 1,057 |
| **March** | 47 | 1,407 | 30 | 535 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 100 | 4 | 217 | 10 | 550 |
| **February** | 43 | 1,158 | 35 | 464 | 1 | 3 | - | - | 3 | 382 | 4 | 310 |
| **January** | 22 | 553 | 13 | 488 | - | - | 1 | 7 | - | - | 8 | 59 |
| **2007** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **December** | 59 | 2,222 | 51 | 630 | - | - | 1 | 50 | 1 | 82 | 6 | 1,460 |
| **November** | 76 | 1,686 | 65 | 1,373 | - | - | 5 | 95 | - | - | 6 | 218 |
| **October** | 123 | 9,319 | 89 | 4,413 | 3 | 9 | 7 | 1,749 | 3 | 20 | 21 | 3,128 |
| **September** | 146 | 9,842 | 116 | 4,857 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 745 | 1 | 3 | 19 | 4,231 |
| **August** | 120 | 5,999 | 103 | 3,149 | 2 | 1,847 | 6 | 614 | 1 | 70 | 8 | 319 |
| **July** | 121 | 4,285 | 112 | 3,647 | - | - | 1 | 29 | 3 | 461 | 5 | 149 |
| **June** | 144 | 6,726 | 129 | 4,107 | - | - | 5 | 370 | 2 | 1,484 | 8 | 765 |
| **May** | 115 | 7,183 | 103 | 3,884 | - | - | 1 | 81 | 4 | 543 | 7 | 2,675 |

*Source*: City of Whitehorse. **Note*: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

# 7. Resources

## 7.1 London metal commodity prices*

| | Gold | | Silver | | Lead | | Zinc | | Copper | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Can. $ | U.S. $ | Can. $ | U.S. $ | Can. $ | U.S. $ | Can. $ | U.S. $ | Can. $ | U.S. $ |
| | ($/troy oz) | | | | ($/kg) | | | | | |
| **2008** | 874.40 | 879.50 | 16.75 | 16.85 | 1.9287 | 1.9400 | 1.9680 | 1.9795 | 8.0580 | 8.1050 |
| **May** | 875.99 | 867.75 | 16.63 | 16.47 | 2.7060 | 2.6805 | 2.2164 | 2.1955 | 8.7372 | 8.6550 |
| **April** | 875.99 | 867.75 | 16.63 | 16.47 | 2.7060 | 2.6805 | 2.2164 | 2.1955 | 8.7372 | 8.6550 |
| **March** | 963.40 | 937.25 | 18.49 | 17.99 | 2.8709 | 2.7930 | 2.3673 | 2.3030 | 8.7577 | 8.5200 |
| **February** | 949.43 | 969.00 | 19.22 | 19.62 | 3.3254 | 3.3940 | 2.6660 | 2.7210 | 8.3680 | 8.5405 |
| **January** | 925.78 | 923.75 | 16.78 | 16.74 | 2.7475 | 2.7415 | 2.3973 | 2.3920 | 7.1863 | 7.1705 |
| **2007** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **December** | 826.55 | 836.50 | 14.58 | 14.76 | 2.5009 | 2.5310 | 2.2578 | 2.2850 | 6.5966 | 6.6760 |
| **November** | 795.39 | 794.75 | 14.24 | 14.23 | 3.0524 | 3.0500 | 2.5325 | 2.5305 | 6.9616 | 6.9560 |
| **October** | 746.59 | 783.00 | 13.65 | 14.32 | 3.5194 | 3.6910 | 2.6655 | 2.7955 | 7.4001 | 7.7610 |
| **September** | 735.02 | 737.75 | 13.60 | 13.65 | 3.4382 | 3.4510 | 3.0477 | 3.0590 | 8.1348 | 8.1650 |
| **August** | 705.68 | 668.00 | 12.62 | 11.95 | 3.4703 | 3.2850 | 3.2431 | 3.0700 | 8.0075 | 7.5800 |
| **July** | 710.56 | 666.75 | 13.78 | 12.93 | 3.3239 | 3.1190 | 3.8264 | 3.5905 | 8.6950 | 8.1590 |
| **June** | 689.61 | 648.50 | 13.34 | 12.54 | 2.8148 | 2.6470 | 3.5103 | 3.3010 | 8.1350 | 7.6500 |
| **May** | 702.50 | 656.60 | 14.18 | 13.25 | 2.5132 | 2.3490 | 3.9431 | 3.6855 | 7.9606 | 7.4405 |

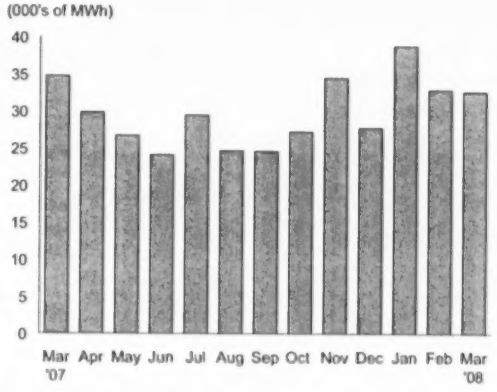
*Source*: London Bullion Market Association and London Metal Exchange.
**Note:* Please see table footnotes on page 12.

## 7.2 Electricity generated, Yukon

| | Total | Hydro | Internal Combustion |
|---|---|---|---|
| | (MWh) | | |
| **2008** | | | |
| **March** | 32,674 | 30,659 | 2,015 |
| **February** | 32,935 | 30,596 | 2,339 |
| **January** | 38,799 | 36,825 | 1,974 |
| **2007** | | | |
| **December** | 27,761 | 25,101 | 2,660 |
| **November** | 34,506 | 32,423 | 2,083 |
| **October** | 27,221 | 25,392 | 1,829 |
| **September** | 24,591 | 22,801 | 1,790 |
| **August** | 24,657 | 22,860 | 1,797 |
| **July** | 29,446 | 27,568 | 1,878 |
| **June** | 24,116 | 22,423 | 1,693 |
| **May** | 26,716 | 25,101 | 1,615 |
| **April** | 29,822 | 27,908 | 1,914 |
| **March** | 34,721 | 32,666 | 2,055 |

*Source*: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

## 7.3 Electricity generated, Yukon




## 7.4 Petroleum product domestic sales, Yukon

| | | Total* | Aviation Gasoline* | Motor Gasoline | Aviation Turbo Fuel | Stove Oil Kerosene | Diesel Fuel Oil | Light Fuel Oil | Lube Oils & Greases |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | (cubic metres) | | | | | | | |
| **2008** | | | | | | | | | |
| **January** | | 9,956 | 13 | 1,353 | 856 | 3,025 | 3,546 | 1,137 | 26 |
| **December** | (r) | 8,219 | 7 | 1,200 | 1,027 | 2,376 | 2,577 | 987 | 44 |
| **November** | (r) | 7,301 | 47 | 1,197 | 845 | 1,634 | 2,950 | 604 | 23 |
| **October** | | 11,390 | 77 | 1,941 | 1,165 | 2,246 | 5,264 | 637 | 58 |
| **September** | | 10,831 | 153 | 2,458 | 1,452 | 1,519 | 4,790 | 384 | 51 |
| **August** | | 12,423 | 208 | 2,652 | 1,732 | 392 | 6,927 | 469 | 40 |
| **July** | | 11,916 | 256 | 3,241 | 820 | 181 | 6,695 | 674 | 48 |
| **June** | | 11,776 | 283 | 2,467 | 1,999 | 168 | 6,684 | 132 | 42 |
| **May** | | 8,670 | 159 | 2,027 | 1,067 | 441 | 4,653 | 266 | 55 |
| **April** | | 9,578 | 38 | 1,509 | 833 | 1,333 | 5,198 | 612 | 55 |
| **March** | | 15,463 | 14 | 2,251 | 1,192 | 2,894 | 8,012 | 1,056 | 43 |
| **February** | | 10,860 | 25 | 1,365 | 948 | 2,339 | 5,202 | 951 | 29 |
| **January** | | 10,149 | 8 | 1,499 | 707 | 2,782 | 4,052 | 1,072 | 26 |

*Source*: Statistics Canada CANSIM. **Note*: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

- **7.1** From May 2007 to May 2008, the metal commodity prices (in Canadian funds) have changed as follows:
  - Gold increased $171.90 per troy ounce, or 24.5%.
  - Silver increased $2.58 cents per troy ounce, or 18.2%.
  - Lead decreased $0.58 per kilogram, or 23.3%.
  - Zinc decreased $1.98 per kilogram, or 50.1%.
  - Copper increased $0.10 per kilogram, or 1.2%.

- **7.2 & 7.3** Comparing March 2008 with March 2007, electricity generated in the Yukon has decreased from 34,721 MWh to 32,674 MWh. This represents a decrease of 2,047 MWh, or 5.9%.

- **7.4** Comparing figures for petroleum sales ($m^3$) in January 2008 with sales figures for January 2007, the following changes have occurred:
  - Total petroleum product sales decreased 1.9%.
  - Aviation gasoline sales have increased 62.5%. (Aviation turbo fuel sales increased 21.1%).
  - Motor gasoline sales decreased 9.7%.
  - Diesel fuel oil sales decreased 12.5%.
  - Light fuel oil sales increased 6.1%.

# 8. Trade

- **8.1** Comparing preliminary retail trade value for March 2008 to March 2007, sales have increased by $3,348,000, or 9.4%. Comparing Jan-Mar 2008 totals with Jan-Mar 2007, retail sales have increased by $10,116,000, or 10.2%.

- **8.2** Comparing preliminary wholesale trade value for March 2008 to March 2007, sales have decreased by $300,000 or 2.8%. Comparing Jan-Mar 2008 totals with Jan-Mar 2007, wholesale sales have increased by $5,053,000, or 19.2%.

- **8.4** Comparing figures for May 2008 with May 2007, interest rates have changed as follows:
  - The bank rate has decreased 1.25 percentage points to 3.25%.
  - The prime business rate has decreased 1.25 percentage points to 4.75%.
  - The conventional mortgage rate (5-year) has decreased 0.49 percentage points to 6.65%.

- **8.5 & 8.6** Total preliminary food services and drinking places receipts for March 2008 were $3,042,000. This was down $1,298,000, or 29.9%, compared to the March 2007 figure of $4,340,000. This decrease is due in large part to the Canada Games in 2007.

  On an annual basis, in 2007 receipts totalled $45,446,000. This was up $819,000, or 1.8%, compared with the 2006 annual figure of $44,627,000.

## 8.1 *Retail sales, Yukon*

| | | Total Sales ($000) | Change From Same Month Last Year (%) |
|---|---|---|---|
| **2008** | | | |
| **March** | (p) | 39,053 | 9.4 |
| **February** | (r) | 35,022 | 6.2 |
| **January** | | 35,101 | 15.6 |
| **2007** | | | |
| **December** | | 47,083 | 9.9 |
| **November** | | 40,134 | 19.4 |
| **October** | | 42,391 | 14.1 |
| **September** | | 42,961 | 9.2 |
| **August** | | 48,513 | 9.7 |
| **July** | | 47,167 | 5.1 |
| **June** | | 49,413 | 11.4 |
| **May** | | 45,630 | 10.5 |
| **April** | | 37,916 | 7.4 |
| **March** | | 35,705 | 8.2 |

*Source*: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

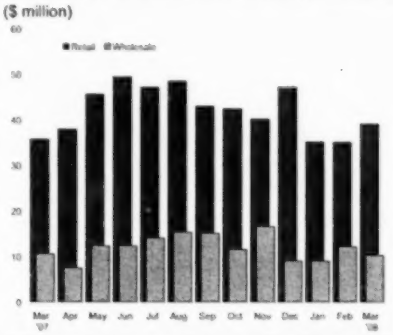
## 8.2 *Wholesale sales, Yukon*

| | | Total Sales ($000) | Change From Same Month Last Year (%) |
|---|---|---|---|
| **2008** | | | |
| **March** | (p) | 10,258 | -2.8 |
| **February** | (r) | 12,146 | 64.7 |
| **January** | | 9,027 | 6.9 |
| **2007** | | | |
| **December** | | 9,020 | -0.3 |
| **November** | | 16,594 | 143.5 |
| **October** | | 11,522 | 16.1 |
| **September** | | 15,074 | 21.5 |
| **August** | | 15,322 | 16.1 |
| **July** | | 14,076 | 3.0 |
| **June** | | 12,317 | 12.7 |
| **May** | | 12,355 | 31.6 |
| **April** | | 7,469 | -4.1 |
| **March** | | 10,558 | -7.1 |

*Source*: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

## 8.3 *Retail & wholesale, Yukon*

($ million)




## 8.4 *Selected interest rates*

| | | Bank Rate* | Prime Business | 5-year Mortgage |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | ---------- | -- (%) | ---------- |
| **2008** | | | | |
| **May** | | 3.25 | 4.75 | 6.65 |
| **April** | (r) | 3.25 | 4.75 | 6.99 |
| **March** | | 3.75 | 5.25 | 7.19 |
| **February** | | 4.25 | 5.75 | 7.29 |
| **January** | | 4.25 | 5.75 | 7.39 |
| **December** | | 4.50 | 6.00 | 7.54 |
| **November** | | 4.75 | 6.25 | 7.39 |
| **October** | | 4.75 | 6.25 | 7.44 |
| **September** | | 4.75 | 6.25 | 7.19 |
| **August** | | 4.75 | 6.25 | 7.24 |
| **July** | | 4.75 | 6.25 | 7.24 |
| **June** | | 4.50 | 6.00 | 7.24 |
| **May** | | 4.50 | 6.00 | 7.14 |

*Source*: Statistics Canada CANSIM.
**Note:* Please see table footnotes on page 12.

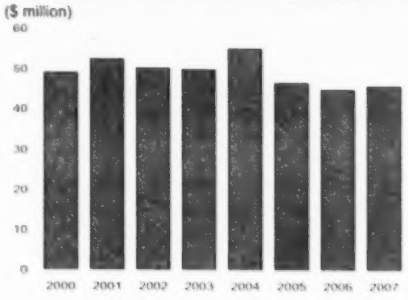
## 8.5 *Food services and drinking places receipts, Yukon*

| | | ($000) | % Change From Same Month Last Year |
|---|---|---|---|
| **2008** | | | |
| **March** | (p) | 3,042 | -29.9% |
| **February** | (r) | 2,811 | -1.4% |
| **January** | (r) | 2,660 | 1.7% |
| **2007** | | | |
| **December** | | 3,174 | -0.3% |
| **November** | | 3,007 | 3.4% |
| **October** | | 3,204 | -8.7% |
| **September** | | 3,856 | 5.0% |
| **August** | | 4,649 | -5.9% |
| **July** | | 5,100 | 1.7% |
| **June** | | 4,708 | 2.6% |
| **May** | | 4,277 | 9.1% |
| **April** | | 3,665 | 9.5% |
| **March** | | 4,340 | 20.5% |

*Source*: Statistics Canada CANSIM.
**Note:* Please see table footnotes on page 12.

## 8.6 *Food services and drinking places receipts, Yukon*

($ million)



# 9. Transportation

## ■ 9.1 *Travellers entering Yukon by land through Canada Customs**

| | Total | Yukon Residents | Other Canadians | US Residents | Other Foreign Travellers |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **2008** | | | | | |
| **April** | 7,446 | 2,500 | 290 | 4,554 | 102 |
| **March** | 6,957 | 2,141 | 269 | 4,461 | 86 |
| **February** | 3,871 | 1,032 | 120 | 2,673 | 46 |
| **January** | 3,622 | 1,018 | 102 | 2,475 | 27 |
| **2007** | 415,188 | 32,630 | 32,140 | 320,819 | 29,599 |
| **December** | 4,378 | 1,037 | 184 | 3,141 | 16 |
| **November** | 4,790 | 1,141 | 185 | 3,446 | 18 |
| **October** | 9,270 | 2,119 | 552 | 6,444 | 155 |
| **September** | 51,308 | 3,309 | 3,659 | 39,765 | 4,575 |
| **August** | 95,635 | 4,959 | 7,896 | 75,288 | 7,492 |
| **July** | 103,526 | 5,942 | 9,584 | 80,999 | 7,001 |
| **June** | 77,550 | 4,064 | 6,235 | 61,302 | 5,949 |
| **May** | 45,302 | 4,690 | 2,309 | 34,218 | 4,085 |
| **April** | 9,126 | 2,415 | 640 | 5,926 | 145 |

*Source*: Bureau of Statistics.
**Note:* Please see table footnotes on page 12.

## ■ 9.2 *Aircraft movements, Yukon communities*

| | Beaver Creek | Burwash Landing | Dawson City | Faro | Mayo | Old Crow | Teslin | Watson Lake | Whitehorse |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | (no. of movements) | | | | | | | | |
| **2007** | | | | | | | | | |
| **December** | 24 | 4 | 97 | 8 | 11 | 121 | 10 | 92 | 1,157 |
| **November** | 7 | 6 | 189 | 13 | 146 | 50 | 2 | 98 | 1,929 |
| **October** | 34 | 18 | 203 | 84 | 687 | 94 | .. | 284 | 1,636 |
| **September** | 15 | 54 | 497 | 302 | 1,033 | 132 | .. | 614 | 2,153 |
| **August** | 43 | 79 | 1,173 | 161 | 1,032 | 96 | .. | 943 | 3,239 |
| **July** | 50 | 131 | 1,333 | 101 | 1,258 | 169 | .. | 719 | 3,333 |
| **June** | 224 | 89 | 1,355 | 121 | 1,043 | 147 | 16 | 705 | 3,281 |
| **May** | 55 | 118 | 404 | 31 | 559 | 92 | .. | 470 | 3,625 |
| **April** | 6 | 24 | 165 | 16 | 390 | 46 | .. | 230 | 3,204 |
| **March** | 10 | .. | 125 | 21 | 86 | 97 | .. | 185 | 1,737 |
| **February** | 9 | 19 | 145 | 21 | 75 | 43 | .. | 125 | 1,362 |
| **January** | 6 | 4 | 114 | 26 | 22 | 34 | .. | 88 | 1,037 |
| **2006** | | | | | | | | | |
| **December** | .. | .. | 114 | 10 | 31 | 92 | .. | .. | 1,473 |
| | (no. of days reporting) | | | | | | | | |
| **2007** | | | | | | | | | |
| **December** | 5 | 3 | 22 | 4 | 5 | 24 | 4 | 29 | 31 |
| **November** | 2 | 3 | 28 | 6 | 18 | 21 | 1 | 23 | 30 |
| **October** | 10 | 5 | 28 | 16 | 30 | 25 | .. | 29 | 31 |
| **September** | 8 | 16 | 30 | 30 | 30 | 27 | .. | 30 | 30 |
| **August** | 11 | 17 | 31 | 26 | 31 | 29 | .. | 31 | 31 |
| **July** | 14 | 19 | 31 | 26 | 31 | 31 | .. | 31 | 31 |
| **June** | 14 | 16 | 30 | 22 | 30 | 29 | 5 | 30 | 30 |
| **May** | 13 | 23 | 31 | 12 | 31 | 24 | .. | 31 | 31 |
| **April** | 3 | 6 | 29 | 8 | 29 | 18 | .. | 29 | 30 |
| **March** | 5 | .. | 27 | 10 | 21 | 22 | .. | 30 | 31 |
| **February** | 3 | 5 | 26 | 8 | 21 | 17 | .. | 25 | 28 |
| **January** | 2 | 2 | 19 | 10 | 9 | 17 | .. | 23 | 31 |
| **2006** | | | | | | | | | |
| **December** | .. | .. | 24 | 5 | 15 | 25 | .. | .. | 31 |

*Source*: Statistics Canada CANSIM and Aviation Statistics Centre

■ **9.1** The number of visitors entering the Yukon by land from January to April 2008 was 21,896 compared to 23,429 for the same time period in 2007. This represents a decrease of 1,533 travellers, or 6.5%.

Comparing April 2008 with April 2007, the following changes occurred:

- The total number of travellers decreased by 1,680, or 18.4%.
- Yukon resident travellers increased by 85, or 3.5%.
- Other Canadian travellers decreased by 350, or 54.7%.
- U.S. travellers decreased by 1,372, or 23.2%.
- Other foreign travellers decreased by 43, or 29.7%.

■ **9.2** Comparing December 2007 with December 2006, the number of aircraft movements in Whitehorse has decreased by 316 flights, or 21.5%.

On an annual basis for Whitehorse, in 2007 there were 27,693 flights compared to 27,525 in 2006. This represents an increase of 168 flights, or 0.6%, in 2007.

*In the other Yukon communities, comparisons between prior months or years should be used with caution because of incomplete data due to inconsistency in the number of days reporting.*

# Footnotes

## 1. Population

1.2 'Other' includes communities such as Champagne, Elsa, Johnson's Crossing, Keno City, Stewart Crossing & Swift River.

1.4 Migration estimates are based on both international migrants into and out of the Yukon as well as interprovincial movement according to the Child Tax Benefit files (Canada Revenue Agency).

## 2. Employment

2.1 All Yukon figures from the Labour Force Survey are three-month moving averages based on 92% coverage.

2.1 Yukon figures are rounded to the nearest hundred; because of this, figures may not sum to totals.

2.3 Territorial general government employment includes employees of all Yukon Government departments, as well as employees of the Yukon Workers' Compensation Health & Safety Board, etc.

2.3 Territorial Health & Social Services includes employees at Whitehorse General Hospital, Alexander MacDonald Lodge, Children's Receiving Home and Assessment, Detoxification Centre, group homes, Norman D. Macaulay Lodge, Northern Network of Services, Copper Ridge Place and the Thomson Centre. Yukon Liquor Corp. and Yukon Development Corp./Yukon Energy Corp. are considered to be business enterprises and therefore employment figures are not included.

2.4 Yukon figures are for all employees, including overtime. Unclassified employees are excluded. As of June 2001, NAICS (North American Industrial Classification System) is used in lieu of the previous SIC (Standard Industrial Classification). Other NAICS categories are available by contacting Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

2.5 Yukon total includes some communities not listed. Claimants whose applications are pending are included.

2.6 The number of beneficiaries receiving total income benefits includes other types of benefits than those displayed, but excludes employment insurance claimants receiving employment and support measures benefits.

## 3. Consumer Prices

3.1 The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures price changes over time but should not be used to compare costs between provinces and cities. As of the May 2007 CPI release, the weights of various items in the basket of goods and services used to calculate the index have been updated from 2001 to 2005. In addition, the CPI base year (the period for which the value 100 is assigned to the index) has changed from 1992 to 2002. Therefore, data from this and future publications should not be compared with previously released data.

## 4. Rental Units

4.1 & 4.2 The Yukon Rental Survey covers all buildings with four or more units. Rentals with less than four units (such as houses, suites and duplexes) are excluded from the survey.

4.1 & 4.2 Due to non-response of a landlord in Hillcrest for September and December 2007 and March 2008, the figures for Hillcrest 2-bedroom apartments are not a complete representation of all Hillcrest 2-bedroom apartments.

## 5. Real Estate

5.1 & 5.2 Rounded data may not sum to totals.

## 6. Construction

6.1 Rounded data may not sum to totals. Permits issued in the communities are totalled on a calendar month.

6.3 Special permits or permits for demolitions may have dollar values of zero. Whitehorse permits are reported for a thirty-day period from the sixteenth of one month to the fifteenth of the following month for which the totals are reported.

## 7. Resources

7.1 Canadian prices are based on the conversion of US prices using the 'noon' exchange rate at month-end by Bank of Canada. Prices of gold and silver are a.m. fix prices at month-end. Prices of lead, zinc and copper are London Metal Exchange "cash seller" prices at month-end.

7.4 'Total' includes other types of refined petroleum product sales. Domestic sales are by reporting companies, are exclusive of exports and sales to other reporting companies, and are adjusted for exports and imports by non-reporting companies.

7.4 'Aviation gasoline' includes all gasoline-type fuels for piston-type aircraft engines.

## 8. Trade

8.4 Bank rate figures are from the last Wednesday of the month.

## 9. Transportation

9.1 Not included in this table are travellers entering the Yukon from another province or territory, persons entering the Yukon by air, and persons entering the Yukon by water. Conversely, totals include Fraser BC border crossing even though there is the possibility that these persons may never physically enter the Yukon.

# Symbols & Abbreviations

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| - | nil or zero | I | January 1 to March 31 |
| (--) | too small to be expressed | II | April 1 to June 30 |
| (p) | preliminary figures | III | July 1 to September 30 |
| (r) | revised figures | IV | October 1 to December 31 |
| $m^3$ | cubic metre | (x) | suppressed for confidentiality |
| (MWh) | megawatt-hour | .. | not available |

*Note*: In some tabulations, rounded data may not sum to totals.

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